

Headteacher's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 20th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we end the third week of this busy and exciting final half-term, there is such a positive buzz around school – quite literally buzzing as our meadows come into full bloom and pupils fully engaged with learning. This week we've been celebrating success, saying goodbye to leavers and preparing for our summer events.

House Points as we end the week are Ash (193), Oak (166), and Elm (199).

BTEC Music

Congratulations to all the BTEC music pupils who receive their results this week – passing with merit. These are fantastic results that reflect dedication, creativity, and resilience throughout the year. From live performances to coursework and recordings, all pupils have shown real commitment to their musical development. A very big well done indeed – your hard work has truly paid off!

London Marathon

This week we have taken delivery of our golden bonds for the London Marathon. If any parents, carers or even someone you know would like the opportunity to complete the marathon and raise some funds for St Vincent's whilst doing so, please contact and register interest via the school office: office@stvin.com.

Glamping Pods – Outdoor Education

On Wednesday we were very excited to take delivery of our brand new glamping pods. These will provide fantastic new opportunities for pupils to enjoy accessible outdoor learning and residential experiences within our school estate. The pods will offer a safe, comfortable space for building independence, confidence, and social skills – we will soon also be re-introducing the Duke of Edinburgh's Award which I know all pupils will be excited by. Alongside this for our younger pupils we have written our own entry course to DofE – The St Vincent's Passenger Award which will be shared with School Council next week for comments and feedback.

School Radio Station

This week's show was hosted by Mahzar, Massara, Jacob and Prince-Will – along with some fantastic track selections and jokes – we also heard a live performance from Yeter who says goodbye to us this week and she takes her next steps beyond St Vincent's. Yeter shared some wonderful memories of school – her friendships and favourite lessons. On behalf of all the staff and pupils Yeter – we wish you every success for the future!

Kitty's Laundrette

Today a group of pupils enjoyed a brilliant work experience at Kitty's Laundrette, Anfield. As well as learning valuable workplace skills and routines, they also lent a hand with the community space by helping to plant up the new outdoor planters. I have received fantastic feedback – with all pupils working so confidently alongside members of the local community, contributing to a welcoming, accessible space. Thank you again to all the team at Kitty's for the invitation.

Art Department

Over the past few weeks, I've been lucky enough to receive some wonderful artwork from pupils across the school – from tactile designs and colourful paintings to creative mixed media pieces. We will be displaying this fantastic work on a new gallery wall in school, where pupils, staff and visitors can enjoy and celebrate the talents of our young artists. Very well done to all.

Headteacher's Hot Chocolate

Today I was joined by Thomas who was the winner of this week's Golden Ticket. Thomas has been focused in class and working hard. He has also spent time this week helping many of the younger pupils with accessible games and sports. A great week Thomas – and very well done indeed.

Wishing all of parents and carers a wonderful weekend in the sun – and keep those fair ideas coming!

With best wishes,

Mr D Swanston

Headteacher